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Aberdeen physician's medical license immediately suspended

Doctor violated pact, abused alcohol, used methamphetamine, charges say

OLYMPIA — The Medical Quality Assurance Commission has immediately suspended the medical license of Aberdeen physician Kenneth I. Hunt (MD00012628).

Hunt cannot practice medicine in Washington until the charges are resolved. He has 20 days to respond to the charges and to request a hearing.

The charges allege Hunt did not comply with a commission order that required him to follow a monitoring contract with the Washington Physicians Health Program and to refrain from using illegal, non-prescribed or potentially addicting drugs. Hunt is also alleged to have violated his monitoring contract and admitted that he recently abused alcohol and used methamphetamine.

Legal documents in this case are available by calling 360-236-4700 or online by clicking the link to "Provider Credential Search" on the agency home page (www.doh.wa.gov).

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